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TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR OPERATING VARIABLE OPTICAL ATTENUATOR BY MODULATING THE ATTENUATION THEREOF

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